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LOOT CITY MAIL BAG ON WAY TO SARNIA

EXPECT BERLIN REPLY TO NOTE OF ALLIES SOON

Delegates Consider Russian Question Barring Germans From Sessions.

THINK PARLEY SAVED
British Papers Blame Lloyd George For Being Fooled by Soviet.

Genoa, April 19.—Dr. Walter Rathenau, the German foreign minister, conferred with Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain and Foreign Minister Chicherin of Russia this morning regarding the barring of the Germans from the Russian commission of the conference. The Germans will probably submit a formal reply to-night to the allied note on this subject.

Many other informal conferences were held with legal experts, of the various delegations in an effort to bring out the exact scope of the entente note.

The Genoa conference apparently has been saved. For the last two days it had been tottering on the edge of collapse, due to the indignation of some of the important leaders over the action of the Germans and Russians in secretly concluding a treaty covering the principal and most delicate points under consideration by the conference.

Now, however, the delegates are to go forward with their work, but the Germans are barred from participating in all deliberations concerning Russian questions. This penalty was laid down in a note of censure sent to the Berlin delegation yesterday after all-day consideration of the situation by the representatives of the five inviting powers and the Little Entente.

While the conference was sitting and whilst Germany was represented on the commission and sub-commission charged with the negotiations of European peace with Russia, said the note, "The German representatives on that commission have, behind the backs of their colleagues, concluded in secret a treaty with Russia on the very questions which they had undertaken to consider in loyal conjunction with representatives of the other nations."

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Close 2 Fire Halls To Aid Civic Economy Wave

SALARY BODY, TOO, CUTS OFF NINE FIREMEN

Nos. 4 and 5 Stations Are Abolished—Saves \$10,000.

REVISE PENSION FUND

Men Will Be Given Chance To Pay Into Fund.

Following Mayor Wilson's proposal to reduce salaries of four city departments, the special salary committee of the council decided on Wednesday morning to close two fire halls in outlying sections of the city. Later Chief John Aitken and his assistants named Halls 4 and 5 as the ones to be dispensed with.

The reduction, it is hoped, will save \$10,000 in fire department salaries.

It was also decided to reduce the city's fire fighting force nine men, to pension two others, and to revise the firemen's pension fund so that men leaving the department will have an adequate retiring allowance.

Twenty-five years will be the limit of service in future, and the firemen are to be given an opportunity of paying something into the fund. The meeting of the committee was staged in the central fire hall, and was attended by the chief, assistant chief and five of the fire captains. The London Advertiser's representative was also present, it being the first meeting of this committee that the press has been allowed to attend.

To make the necessary reduction as called for by the council, Chief Aitken reported that it would mean the cutting off of nine men. Two others are to be pensioned, but their places will be refilled. Four horses will be sold.

Centered Attention.
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Canadian Shot Dead By Detroit Officer

Detroit, Mich., April 19.—(Canadian Press).—Russell A. Haynes, a former Canadian soldier, was shot and killed here last night while attempting to escape from a police officer who sought to question him as a suspicious character. Haynes enlisted in Montreal in the 25th battalion of the Canadian expeditionary force.

TELLS WHY PACT PROVES FUTILE

Irish Field Marshal, Sir H. Wilson, Claims Treaty Foundation False.

Must Have Union or Empire Goes To Dogs, Is Warning.

Belfast, April 19.—Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes Wilson, member of Parliament for North Down, told an audience at Newtownards, County Down, last night, that the Paris peace conference based its hopes for the future peace of the world upon three conditions, all of which were false.

First, the leaders of the conference had said great empires were a danger and ought to be broken up, and they proceeded to break up or Balkanize Europe. Second, on the basis that all peoples loved each other, they formed the League of Nations, but did not give it any power to carry out its decisions. Third, he declared they went on the assumption that a former President Wilson represented the United States, which was not true.

Field Marshal Wilson declared there had not been peace during the last three years, and never would be until these assumptions were swept away and something more solid built in their place. He said self-determination was talked about at Paris, but nobody knew what it meant, Premier Lloyd George, he declared, was so enamored of it that he insisted upon extending the power of self-determination to Ireland, thus dividing the country into two parts, north and south. South Ireland, he declared, by the love of self-determination was now divided against itself.

The speaker asserted that the act of union was the most successful act passed by any British government, and he was certain they would either go back to the South or the British Empire would go to the dogs.

Shooting was renewed in the Ballymacarrat district of Belfast early this morning. John Scott, a youth, was killed and William Johnston was fatally wounded.

The hospitals have large casualty lists as a result of the recent shootings, but even these do not indicate the full number of injured, as many cases are being treated in the homes of the victims.

The police barracks at Manor Hamilton, an important center in County Leitrim, have been captured by Free State troops. A motor returning from Sligo was seized and the occupants, all of whom were armed, were made prisoners. A second car was disabled by gunfire and the occupants threw their rifles into the road.

DECIDE TO PASS SOLDIERS' BILL

Washington, April 19.—Decision to pass a soldier's bonus bill at this session of Congress was reached yesterday by Senate Republicans in party caucus. The caucus also decided that the Senate should proceed to the consideration of the administration tariff bill on Thursday without further delay. The measure will be called up at that time and it was announced the majority membership would make every effort to hold a quorum continuously.

PENITENTS WITH CACTUS LASHES SCOURGE EACH OTHER ALL DAY!

Albuquerque, N. M., April 19.—In four counties of New Mexico and the eastern part of Arizona scores of members of Los Hermanos Penitentes (the Penitent Brothers) are picking cactus spines from their own and each other's backs today.

Other members who played stellar roles in the crucifixion ceremonies of the order are lying in improvised tents terribly exhausted. Although great secrecy usually is imposed concerning the observation of the Penitente celebration, the bars were let down somewhat this year. One of the ceremonials took place

Moonlight Minstrels Heed Call To Open Space

Lose Tenor In Race From Law

Spring is undoubtedly here. The "curb-stone" songsters have taken to the open places. With the advent of fair weather, a certain set of young men, whose vocal endeavors in poolrooms, hallways and such convenient downtown resorts have been noted time and again during the winter months, have now moved west over the Dundas street bridge.

With the first subtle touch of spring in the air the boys moved almost unconsciously from their customary haunts along Dundas street, between Richmond and Clarence streets. Tuesday night they grazed the curb-stone lawn with their presence and "serenaded" imaginary Juliets on the turrets of Castle Carter.

At the deadly hour of midnight police constables, whose only recognition of good music is the shrill blast of the police whistle or the merry tap-tap of the night-stick on the pavement, made their untimely appearance.

With puzzled countenances the latter hurriedly patrolled the neighborhood, seeking the origin of the strange and unusual noises. About to relinquish the chase, reconciled to the belief that it was one of those "new-fangled" radiophones, the watchful officers espied on the lawn several strange figures—strange, but still not so strange, the officers agreed upon a closer observation. It was their old acquaintances, the carefree boys of the boulevard.

Breaking off in the midst of "Till We Meet Beyond the River," the latter hurried north and west in several different formations. The officers did not pursue their quarry beyond the West London bridge. Once across the boundary line the "raucous" choristers were safe.

Gathering together several minutes later near the corner of Wilson avenue and Blackfriars street, the battered remnants of the gay company rendered undisturbed "Here we are again."

When the policeman first waved his baton as a signal for dispersal, a soft tenor voice was distinguishable, but when the roll was called over on the west side the owner of the same was not among those assembled.

The downtown police are congratulating themselves that they have driven the songsters from their beats and now leave the matter unconcerned in the hands of the constable on beat No. 13 with power to add.

NEW YORK CANADIAN CLUB HAS MANY LONDONERS

Dr. Bassler, Medical Author, Says London Is Third in Representation.

London is the third city in Canada in representation in membership of the Canadian Club at New York. This fact was announced to members of the Western Ontario Academy of Medicine in session here Tuesday by Dr. Anthony Bassler of New York, who addressed them.

Dr. Bassler, who is a reputed author of medical literature, is a member of the New York Canadian Club, and he informed those present that members of that organization who hale from the Forest City out-number those from Ottawa, Hamilton and other larger Canadian centers.

"I was looking over the membership list of the New York Canadian Club Sunday," he said, "and London is the third Canadian city on the list. It shows that this little city in the Western Ontario peninsula sends good Canadians down to New York in active proportion to others in the Dominion."

ONLY FOURTH OF MINES OPERATED

Charleston, W. Va., April 19.—Of 1256 mines in West Virginia reporting to the West Virginia Coal Association, a report from that body last night developed, 423 are in operation. From the upper Potomac and the Kanawha thickfields, no reports of the number of mines working were received. State production for the past week was 182,460 tons less than normal, according to the figures given, but was 22,605 tons in excess of the amount mined during the week ending April 8.

BRITISH SEEK TO AID COLONIZATION

London, April 19.—The empire settlement bill, introduced in the House of Commons April 7 by Lieut.-Col. Amery, parliamentary secretary to the board of admiralty, with a view to making better provision for furthering British settlement in overseas dominions, will probably constitute the first business upon the assembly of the House of Commons next week. The bill seeks to give effect to proposals adopted at the conference of premiers last year.

Arrived at the chosen spot, indicated weeks previously by the priests and chiefs, the penitents established their rude camps. Twelve brethren were selected to erect the cross.

Throughout Saturday night all prostrated themselves in prayer, chanting in unison. On a peak overlooking the valley was stationed a lookout, who, as the warning streaks of red signaled the break of dawn on Sunday, raised his voice in a loud cry warning the praying brethren their hour was approaching.

Immediately cactus whips were passed out, several to each family. The male members were stripped to

WOULD TAKE SOUTHERN RHODESIA INTO BIG UNION

Cape Town Dispatch Tells of Conference With Premier Smuts.

London, April 19.—Canadian Press Cable.—An official statement has been issued by the government of the South African Union dealing with the negotiations looking to the entry of Southern Rhodesia into the union, says a Reuter dispatch from Cape Town. A conference on the question between Premier Smuts of the union and the Rhodesian delegation, was opened on April 4.

According to the statement the union government explained to the Rhodesian delegation that they wished to come to a provisional arrangement with the British South African Company regarding the latter's land, mineral and railway rights in Rhodesia before the terms of incorporation of Rhodesia into the union are finally formulated. Negotiations, therefore, are now proceeding.

When they have been completed the union will communicate the terms for transmission to the Rhodesian administration. It is said that the British government hopes that all this will be done in time to enable the Rhodesian constitutional referendum to be held before the approach of the rainy season next summer.

MEN FIX HOUSES OPERATORS OWN

Hazleton, Pa., April 19.—Anthracite companies are having many of their properties repaired without much cost during the mining suspension. A tour of the mine villages showed, in the localities where the mine workers occupy houses owned by the operators, extensive improvements are being made by the men while the companies are idle. The lumber is donated by the companies, employees having the privilege of taking what they need. In normal times such work is done by the company carpenter forces.

Most of the men believe that a satisfactory wage agreement will be reached between the committee of operators and miners and that they will be back in the mines in a few weeks.

1,400 DIVORCES IN ENGLISH COURT

London, April 19.—(Canadian Press Cable).—In connection with the sittings of the law courts, which will open next Tuesday, a notable feature is that there is not a jury case entered. The downward trend of jury cases has been progressive since the war.

While the war was on there were difficulties in empaneling juries, and this resulted in rules being introduced enabling courts to dispense with juries except when absolutely necessary.

About 1,400 divorce cases have been entered for trial at the coming sittings, this being an increase over the usual number, and an additional judge will assist in this division.

BANS ARBUCKLE FILMS.

New York, April 19.—Cancellation of all contracts for the showing of films in which Roscoe C. (Fatty) Arbuckle appears was announced last night by Will H. Hays, head of the Motion Picture Producers' Association. This action, he said, affected nearly 10,000 contracts.

Two Die When Locomotive Falls Over Embankment

Quebec, April 19.—D. R. Noisieux, aged 37, and Silvio Guilbault, 35, both of Joliette, Quebec, the former a conductor of the Canadian National Railway, and the latter a fireman, were killed last night near Lachetiere station, on the Montreal-Quebec line, when the locomotive on which they were riding fell over the embankment on a sharp curve.

WILL FIGHT FOR STRIKE TRAFFIC

Hamilton Taxi Men Protest Outside Drivers Working If Carmen Quit.

Company Believes Full Power and Light Service Will Be Available.

Hamilton, April 19.—Developments today did not relieve the situation with reference to the threatened strike of the street railway, suburban power and light employees of the Dominion Power & Transmission Company.

It looks as though there was little chance of the strike being averted, but it is not likely to occur until the end of the week. E. P. Coleman, manager of the D. P. & T., says the letter of the employees, notifying the company of their decision to strike unless the company agrees to the conciliation board's award is so impertinent that he will not reply to it.

The company claims that, by using its officials it will be able to give full power and light service. As to the street railway and suburban lines, the company will make no attempt to operate them and no strike breakers will be imported.

The jitney and bus lines are making arrangements to carry the traffic in case of a strike, and many car owners from outside the city are applying to Chief Whitley for licenses to do a jitney business.

There was a curious development today when the Hamilton jitney and taxicab men are counting upon reaping a rich harvest in case of a strike, intimating that they might also be driven to striking. They say they are able to take care of all traffic, and will make a fight against any outsider being allowed to invade the field.

FIRE DESTROYS FAMOUS CONVENT

Montreal, April 19.—Notre Dame Convent, in the east end of this city, the oldest teaching institution in the province, founded by Rev. Sister Marguerite Bourgeois, recently canonized, was totally destroyed by fire last night, with a property loss of \$150,000, partially covered by insurance.

The structure, which is a landmark of the island of Montreal, was destroyed in less than three hours from the time of the discovery of the fire.

HOTEL WOMEN TO WORK 50 HOURS

Regina, Sask., April 19.—Following representations made to it yesterday by the Caterers' Association, the Saskatchewan minimum wage board has changed the basic wage for female employees in hotels, restaurants and refreshment rooms from 18 to 50 hours a week. Where girls are required to work Sundays the minimum wage has been increased from \$14 to \$15.50.

JAPS MAINTAIN NEUTRALITY.

Tokyo, April 18.—The commander of the Japanese forces in Siberia has ordered his troops to maintain a neutral attitude as the failure of the Dairen conference does not signify a breach of diplomatic intercourse.

The troops will act for the maintenance of peace, safeguard communications, prevent Bolshevik activities and protect residents.

FLIGHT FAILS WITHIN SIGHT OF OBJECTIVE

Portuguese Aviators' Machine Wrecked On St. Paul Rocks.

MADE 900 MILES

Rio Janeiro Plans Big Welcome to Intrepid Pair of Airmen.

Rio Janeiro, April 19.—Confirmation was received here today from Pernambuco by the Correo Manhã, that the Portuguese hydro airplane, flying from Portugal to Brazil, landed at St. Paul Rocks at 8 o'clock last night. The unofficial time of the flight is given as 15 hours. The estimated distance flown is 900 miles, thus making the time of the airplane 60 miles an hour.

Confirmation of the safe landing of the aviators at St. Paul's Rocks was enthusiastically received in all the large cities of Brazil. Rio Janeiro, with approximately 300,000 Portuguese inhabitants, was a scene of great rejoicing last night. Plans have been made for big celebrations on the arrival of the aviators at Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio Janeiro.

The aviators were unable to proceed in their hydro airplane from St. Paul's Rocks, a few hundred miles short of their goal on the American continent where they landed last night, because of damage to their machine, according to a Havas dispatch from Pernambuco today.

The message says their hydro airplane was so badly damaged in effecting the landing that it is no longer usable. The aviators, however, expect to save the motor.

APPEALS FOR FAITH IN LEAGUE OF NATIONS IDEA

Sir George Foster at Brantford Shows League Has Demonstrated Its Practicality.

Brantford, Ont., April 19.—A campaign to awaken public interest in Canada and to swing public opinion into line with the league of nations' ideals was opened here last evening by Sir George Eulas Foster, vice-president of the Law Society of Canada, and one of the Canadian representatives at the Genoa gathering.

He pleaded strongly for such support, declaring that the league had a strong and clear picture of what would happen in future wars, most of which would be conducted from the air and which would produce more intensified destruction than even the great wars of the past.

John McGuire, president of the council, will present his report of his experiences at the city council Tuesday night, when an representative of the former body he delivered a formal protest against Mayor Wilson's proposed general salary reduction of 10 per cent.

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MAKE TEST CASE ON "GAS" STATIONS

Hamilton, April 19.—To test the city's right to issue permits for placing gasoline tanks on curbs, a case will be taken to the supreme court at Osgoode Hall on April 26. A permit was recently issued for one by the city council, and some persons opposed to it contend that it is a public nuisance and a menace to public safety, and that the council has no right to issue such permits.

LICENSE TO CARRY EMIGRANTS

London, April 19.—A Reuter dispatch from Budapest says the Hungarian government has granted a license to the Hamburg Amerika Steamship Line to carry emigrants to the United States and Canada.

ANGLICANS RAISE £45,000.
London, April 19.—The governing body of the new dis-established Welsh Anglican Church raised in its own diocese nearly £45,000 voluntarily last year, and the general financial position of the church is regarded as extremely satisfactory.

PERPETRATORS NOT KNOWN TO OFFICIALS YET

Inspector McLean of London and Border Police Institute Rigid Investigation.

SARNIA OFFICERS SILENT

Loss Not Discovered For Two Days, According to Reports.

One Canadian government mail bag, said by local postoffice authorities to have contained registered mail, was apparently rifled in transit between London and Sarnia Saturday evening last.

A report from Sarnia Wednesday afternoon indicates that the loss was not discovered until Monday. The border police state that they are baffled as to the possible perpetrators of the act.

D. J. McLean of London, inspector of postal services for the district west of Toronto, returned today to the city from Sarnia, where in conjunction with the postal and railroad authorities he conducted a rigid inquiry.

Questioned Wednesday afternoon, the inspector stated that one bag only had been molested in the batch that left London Saturday evening for Sarnia and intermediate points.

Registered mail, he states, was opened, and the contents misappropriated. The bag was found empty when opened for distribution in the Sarnia postoffice. It is understood that the entire bag was destined for residents of that city.

The inspector reports that his investigation at Sarnia revealed little or nothing that would lead to the arrest of suspects.

Sarnia postoffice officials, as well as chief of Police Lamont of that city, maintain a strict non-committal attitude with respect to the robbery, declining to issue any statement as to the extent of the loss.

"STILL BUCKING LABOR," IS VIEW ON TWO ALDERMEN

Party To Further Consider Ashplant's Effort Regarding City Hall Cuts.

Consideration of Alderman Henry R. Ashplant's effort in the city council to prevent the reduction of civic salaries below \$2,000 per annum will feature the regular session of the trades and labor council at the Labor Temple Wednesday night.

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"Still bucking the Labor party," William Tite, delegate to the trades council, commented Wednesday.

On Friday evening the London Labor party will consider the formal request submitted a week ago by the local branch of the Independent Labor party that Aldermen Ashton and Watkinson vacate their seats at the council board.

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